GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
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Increase in Production of Coal
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate any new policy to increase the coal production in the country and if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to achieve the production target for the coming years 2018, 2019 and 2020 and if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government has identified mines/projects for production of coal and if so, the details thereof;
(d) whether the Government is facing any problems to achieve the targets set for production of coal; and
(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR COAL, POWER, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a)to(e): On account of enhanced production by Coal India Limited (CIL), the country has moved from a regime of coal scarcity to a coal surplus situation. The vendible stock of CIL has increased from 53.62 Mt. as on 01.04.2015 to 61.92 Mt. as on 01.04.2017. The off-take / dispatch of coal of CIL has also increased from 488.86 Mt in 2014-15 to 542.82 Mt. in 2016-17. The vendible stock of CIL even on 01.07.2017 was 49.90 Mt. Production is likely to further increase due to planned enhancement in productivity and deployment of Heavy Earth Moving Machineries.

CIL has identified 65 new/expansion projects for being taken up as per the 1 Bt roadmap. Out of these, 18 projects, having a production capacity of 118.81 MT, have already been approved. 47 projects are under various stages of formulation & approval. 12 mines are planned by the end of 2019-20 to achieve the target of 68 MT in Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL).

All India coal production has increased from 565.77 Mt in 2013-14 to 659.27 Mt in 2016-17. CIL has increased its production from 462.41 Mt in 2013-14 to 554.14 Mt in 2016-17. The increase of 91.73 Mt. in actual production achieved by CIL in the last four years took almost seven years to achieve before 2013-14.

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